

Paratroopers Test Alaskan Defenses

10-Day Test Starts Of Alaska Defenses

EIELSON AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska UP — Six hundred paratroopers of the 11th Airborne Division tumbled from a fleet of "Flying Boxcars" in sub-zero weather

to begin a major phase of a 10-day test of Alaska defenses. The test maneuver, dubbed "Operation Warmwind," pits an "aggressor" army against the Alaska defense command.

Only seven minor injuries were suffered as troopers of the 503rd regimental combat team, flown to Alaska recently from Ft. Campbell, Ky., for the maneuver, hit the arctic plains shortly after daybreak Thursday.

The airborne infantrymen methodically overran an "aggressor" army position like northland veterans.

This American air base, near Fairbanks, was being held by the aggressor forces, comprising troops of the 4th regimental combat team based in Alaska.

The advancing paratroopers and the main body of their regiment linked up quickly about 13 miles southeast of here after the mass drop and were marching on Eielson counting on a quick "capture."

Methodist Laymen Will Meet Sunday

Fort Wayne Scene Of District Rally

Decatur Methodists will attend the district laymen's rally in Fort Wayne at the Wayne Street Methodist church at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The laymen will be greeted by Fred Busche of this city, district lay leader.

The principal address will be given by Dr. Edwin Garrison, administrative assistant of the Indiana area of the Methodist church.

Homer Roosevelt, conference lay leader of Goshen, will discuss "The purpose of district rallies."

Dr. A. W. Pugh, superintendent of the Fort Wayne district, will speak on "A time for great churchmanship."

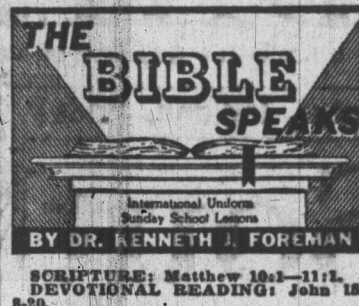
Music will be furnished by the Wells county chorus, directed by C. K. Reid, and Fred Croninger of Fort Wayne will lead the devotions.

Wilbur Petrie Named Class Vice-President

Wilbur Petrie, well-known Decatur oil dealer and civic worker, was elected vice-president of the 1952 Scottish Rite class of 280 members at Fort Wayne Thursday night, following the three-day initiation.

A banquet and speaking program followed the conferring of the 32nd degree on the class. Dr. Cecil G. McEachern, Fort Wayne, was named president of the class. The Decatur man was the first local Mason to receive an office in several years.

More than 50 Adams county members of the Scottish Rite attended the Thursday sessions of the three-day initiation which drew more than 2,000 members to the cathedral from northeastern Indiana.



Immortal Twelve

Lesson for November 16, 1962

If the twelve Apostles wanted to join your church, would you let them in? Peter Marshall thought not. Books of sermons are often dull reading, but Dr. Marshall's book called *Mr. Jones, Meet the Master* is as fascinating a book as you are likely to find anywhere. One of his famous sermons goes over an imagined application of the twelve Apostles for membership in a typical American church. One by one each man is rejected—all but Judas! As a man of money the church wants his services.



Dr. Foreman

Unpromising Material

Not to steal Peter Marshall's sermon, nor to spoil your appetite for it in case you do read it, but just to explore the possibilities, let's imagine yourself passing on the application of these men for church membership. There is Simon Peter. . . Well He is a fisherman and a sailor, and you know what sailor's language is, sometimes. A man noted for talking before he thinks. Not among our best people (they would say in Capernaum); lives down by the docks somewhere, smells of fish. No education, very limited background. Better wait. Maybe he could find a little chapel down nearer his work he'd be happier there. And then there's James and his brother John. Hot-tempered and ambitious, in fact so conceited they're hard to live with. They would certainly want to be at the top—if thrones are passed out they will want one apiece in the front row. If they are crossed they are likely to call down fire from heaven—not that they'll get it, but that's the kind of young men they are. No, they will be too big to handle. Let them go join some sect that will give their emotions a chance. We'll be too slow and too cold for them.

Nobodies

Then there is Thomas, for instance. Just the opposite of Peter. A cold, gloomy man. Takes the dark view of everything. What you want in the church is men of faith, and this is a man who is sure to be called the Doubter. Skepticism is contagious, we have enough doubters now without electing another one. Let's leave him out. Then there is Phillip, a stupid man if ever you saw one. You can say a thing to him over and over and he still won't get it. And Bartholomew and Thaddeus or Lebbaeus or whatever his name is, and another James and another Simon—their names are common and so are they. Just who are they, the whole lot of them? Nobodies, that's all you can say. Can you name one that has made a name for himself outside his native village—or in it, for that matter? What have they got to contribute? Haven't we got enough dead wood in the church as it is without adding some more people who will be nothing but names? Seems to me the pastor must have been scraping the bottom of the barrel—these men certainly didn't come from the top.

Jesus Made Difference

Even worse than all that could have been said of some of the Twelve. There was one very doubtful character among them, the man Matthew the Publican. Publicans were tax-collectors for the Roman government. No one respected them; Jesus himself used the name Publican as meaning the lowest class of men. Who knew how sincere Matthew was when he joined the Twelve? There was also Judas, immortal for another reason; who was and who remained a devil. Jesus called two of these men devils at different times; Judas stayed one, but Peter changed. That lets us in to the secret of why Jesus chose these particular men. It was not for what they were at the time, not for anything they had accomplished, but for what he could do with them. That Jesus chose these men. He selected them for a particular reason: that they should go out and tell other men about him. To be ready to do this, they were to spend some time in close contact with him. When these men went out to speak for Jesus and the Kingdom of God they knew what they were talking about . . . and they were different men. All but Judas, who missed his life's great chance. For these other men had let Christ have his way with them. That is what the Church is and ought to be: the community of men and women who are being transformed, by Christ, for service in his name.

Rural Church News

PLEASANT MILLS METHODIST
Harley T. Shady, pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.
Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

SALEM METHODIST
Harley T. Shady, pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.
Morning worship at 10:30 a.m.
Message by Mr. Stucky, of Berne, representing the Glidons.

SALEM
Evangelical and Reformed
H. E. Settlage, minister
9 a.m. Sunday school. Classes for every age group.
10 a.m., worship service. Sermon, "Stewards of Life."
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Bible study hour. 8:30 p.m. adult choir rehearsal.
Thursday, 3:30 p.m., children's choir rehearsal.

WINCHESTER
United Brethren in Christ
Stanley, Peters, pastor
Sunday school, 9 a.m.
Morning worship, 10 a.m.
Evangelistic hour, 7 p.m.
Meeting of the Sunday school executive committee immediately following the evening service.
Hour of prayer and Bible study on Wednesday at 7:30. We will study Romans III. Come and bring your Bibles.

Remember—on Sunday evening, November 23, at 7 o'clock, Mrs. Eula Eby, a returned missionary from Africa, will be with us to present pictures from our mission field and speak to us about the work there. Mr. Solomon Parker, a native of Africa, will also accompany her and speak to us.

ST. PAUL CHURCH
Southeast of Decatur
9:15 a.m., Sunday school.
7 p.m., Christian endeavor.
7:30 p.m., evangelistic sermon.
Wednesday evening, 7 o'clock, Bible study classes for all ages.
Rev. William Meyer from Fort Wayne Bible college will bring the message.

ST. LUKE
Evangelical & Reformed, Honduras
H. H. Meckstroth, minister
9 a.m., worship service.
10 a.m., Sunday school.
Thursday — an all-day meeting of the Women's Guild. Mrs. Wm. Bertsch, leader.

MOUNT PLEASANT
Methodist
F. H. Kise, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., Leo King, Sr., superintendent.
Worship service, 10:40 a.m., the pastors sermon theme: The Accounting of a Life.

PLEASANT VALLEY
Methodist
F. H. Kise, pastor
Worship service, 9:30 a.m. The message will be delivered by the pastor.
Sunday school, 10:30 a.m., Raymond Teeple, superintendent.

MONROE METHODIST
Roger R. Johnson, minister
Worship, 9:30; sermon by the minister. Anthem by the adult choir. Mrs. Elmer Ehrsam, director and organist.
Sunday school, 10:30 a.m., Martin Steiner, superintendent.
Youth fellowship, 6:30. Virginia Mitchell, president.
No evening service, we will attend the Friends revival.
Wednesday, youth choir rehearsal 7 p.m. Prayer service, 7:30. Adult choir rehearsal, 8:15.
Thursday, youth fellowship party in the annex.

WOOD CHAPEL E. U. B.
Albert N. Straley, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Paul Henrey, superintendent. Lesson, "Jesus' Commission the Twelve." Morning worship 10:30 a.m. Sermon, "Treasure."

The church will participate in the Van Wert group rally at the Willshire school Sunday evening. A carry-in supper will begin activities at 5:30 p.m., interested groups meet at 6:30 and the evangelistic rally at 7:30. Dr. O. T. Doever, executive secretary of the board of evangelism of the Evangelical United Brethren church, will be the guest speaker.
Midweek prayer and praise service, Wednesday 8 p.m. Orville Jewell, class leader. The junior class in catechism will meet at the same hour.

PLEASANT DALE
Church Of The Brethren
John D. Mighler—Pastor
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. with Mr. Floyd Roth as general superintendent and Mrs. Frieda Yager as primary superintendent.
Classes for all age groups. Regular attendance and activity makes each class a better unit for Christ.
Morning worship at 10:30 a.m. The pastor will deliver the message of the morning on the theme "If I Had Known." The evening service will begin at 7:00 p.m. with the various departmental meetings. The CBYF will be lead in discussion by one of their own group. The Adult group will have Mr. Oscar Geisel as their leader. The subject for study is "Empowering for Testimony." The children will meet under the leadership of Mrs. Frieda Yager and Miss Patricia Barger for

their worship. At 7:30 p.m. a unified service of worship will be held in the sanctuary.

The weekly prayer service and bible study is on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. The Men's chorus will practice at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday eve.

The Men's Work will meet for an evening of fellowship and recreation Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Adams Central gymnasium.

CALVARY E. U. B.
L. W. Strong, pastor
Dale Beer, superintendent
Sunday school 9:30 a.m.
Morning worship 10:30 a.m.
Young people service, 6:45 p.m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.

UNION CHAPEL
EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH
Lawrence T. Morris, Pastor
9:30 Sunday School. Wendell Miller Supt. Thurman L. Drew Ass't.
10:30 Worship Service.
Evening Service
6:45 Junior C. E. Rowena Merri-man President.
6:45 Youth Fellowship. Betty Miller President.
7:30 Worship Service.
Wednesday Evening
7:30 Prayer Meeting. Omer Merri-man leader.

ANTIOCH
UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
John Detwiler, pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Ellis Skiles, Supt.
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
7:00 p.m. Happy Hustlers
7:30 p.m. Evening Service
7:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service and Bible Study.
Next Sunday, November 23, is Home Mission day at our Church with special services morning and evening.
You are invited to worship with us.

RIVARRE CIRCUIT
UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST
William Esaminger—pastor
Mt. Zion At Bebo
9:30 Sunday School.
10:30 Worship Service.
7:00 Christian Endeavor.
Wednesday at 7 p.m. prayer meeting.

Mt. Victory on State Line
9:00 Sunday School.
10:00 Class meeting.
7:00 Revival services with Rev. John Lanier as evangelist and Dwight Darr as song leader.
There will be revival service through the next two weeks. Come and fellowship with us.
Pleasant Grove
9:30 Sunday School.
10:30 Worship Service.
7:00 Christian Endeavor.
Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. prayer meeting.

PLEASANT VALLEY
Wesleyan Methodist
G. R. Shaw, pastor
9:30 a.m., Sunday school, Virgil Sprunger, superintendent.
10:30 a.m., morning service.
7 p.m., W. Y. P. S., Virgil Sprunger, leader.
7:30 p.m., evening service. Evangelistic message by the pastor.
Wanted: 75 people in Sunday school next Sunday who would like to invest some money in the men's dormitory at Marion college. This will be a Thanksgiving offering.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., prayer and praise service.

Hearing Monday On Coal Wage Increase

Public Hearing Is Planned By Putnam

WASHINGTON UP — Economic stabilizer Roger L. Putnam will hold a public hearing Monday on the size of a wage increase to be approved for John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers.

Putnam invited Lewis and Harry M. Moses, president of the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association, to make an "oral report" at the meeting in support of their petition that Putnam approve the full \$1.90-a-day boost negotiated by the UMW and the coal industry.

Lewis and Moses jointly appealed to Putnam to take over the coal case three weeks ago after the wage stabilization board chopped the increase to \$1.50 on the grounds that anything beyond that would be inflationary. Putnam must make the final decision. When the board acted, some 375,000 soft coal miners walked out of the pits in protest. They returned a week later on orders from Lewis who acted following an appeal from President Truman to end the strike while the wage board's decision was being reconsidered.

Should Putnam uphold the wage board's decision, the soft coal diggers probably would strike again. They would probably be joined by 65,000 hard coal miners who are awaiting wage board action on a similar \$1.90 pay boost.



Admitted: Mrs. Dean Baughman, Decatur; Mrs. Arthur Boenker, Hoagland; Baby Allana Sue Hook, Decatur.
Dismissed: Sidney Van Matre, Bryant; Robert Zerby, Berne.

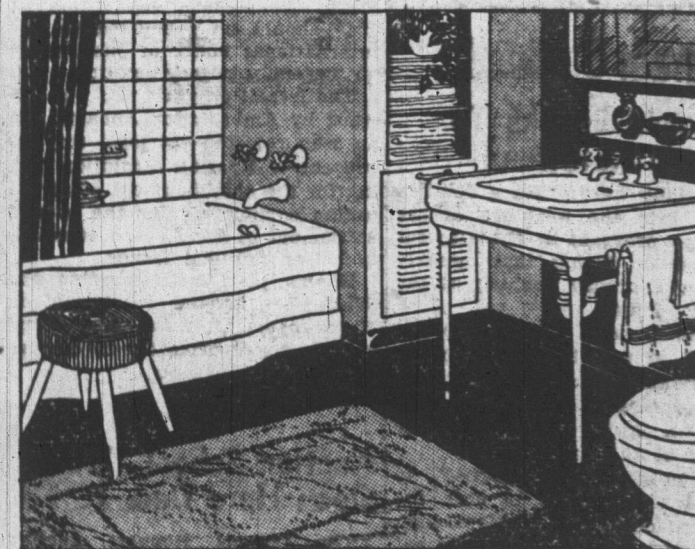


Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stevens are the parents of a baby girl, weighing 6 lbs., 10 oz., and born at 10:43 a.m. today at the hospital.
A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Liechty, of Berne, at 5:25 p.m. Thursday at the hospital and weighed 6 lbs., 9 oz.
At 3:44 p.m. Thursday, a baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Eugene Isenberg of Fort Wayne and weighed 6 lbs., 3 oz.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conrad are the parents of a baby girl, weighing 5 lbs., 9 oz., and born at 2:57 p.m. Thursday at the hospital.

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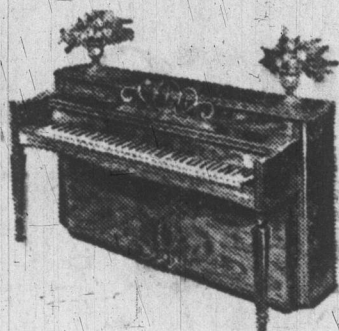
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